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Idaho Prospective Plantings for 2013

All wheat planted in Idaho is expected to total 1.32 million acres, up slightly from last year. Spring wheat plantings are expected to be 530,000 acres, up 2 percent from last year. Winter wheat seedings, at 780,000 acres, are unchanged from last year. Durum wheat seedings are expected to total 8,000 acres, down 5,000 acres from 2012. Idaho farmers intend to plant 380,000 acres of field corn in 2013, up 6 percent from last year. Barley seedings are expected to total 620,000 acres, up 10,000 acres from last season. Oat seedings are expected to be 55,000 acres, down 21 percent from last year. Dry bean planting intentions decreased 10 percent from last year to 130,000 acres. Dry bean estimates include chickpeas, which are grown primarily in North Idaho. Chickpea planting intentions totaled 73,000 acres, down 4 percent from 2012. All hay expected to be harvested, at 1.33 million acres, is down 1 percent from 2012. Sugarbeet plantings are expected to total 176,000 acres, down 4 percent from last year. Lentil acreage is expected to be 20,000 acres, down 39 percent from 2012. Dry edible pea acreage, at 35,000 acres, is expected to be up 30 percent from last year. Austrian winter pea acres are expected to total 6,000 acres, up 500 acres from 2012. Canola acres are expected to total 45,000 acres, up 18 percent from 2012.

Nationally, growers intend to plant 97.3 million acres of corn for all purposes in 2013, up slightly from last year and 6 percent higher than in 2011. If realized, this will represent the highest planted acreage in the United States since 1936 when an estimated 102 million acres were planted. Oats are expected to total 2.90 million acres, up 5 percent from 2012. Barley producers intend to seed 3.63 million acres of barley for the 2013 crop year, down slightly from the previous year. All wheat producers intend to plant 56.4 million acres, up 1 percent from 2012. The 2013 winter wheat planted area, at 42.0 million acres, is 2 percent above last year and up slightly from the previous estimate. Area planted to other spring wheat for 2013 is expected to total 12.7 million acres, up 3 percent from 2012. The intended Durum planted area for 2013 is estimated at 1.75 million acres, down 18 percent from the previous year. Hay producers expect to harvest 56.4 million acres of all hay in 2013, up slightly from 2012. Canola producers intend to plant 1.65 million acres in 2013, down 6 percent from 2012. If realized, planted area in the United States will be the second largest on record. Sugarbeets area planted for the 2013 crop year is expected to total 1.20 million acres, down 2 percent from the 1.23 million acres planted in 2012. Dry beans growers intend to plant 1.50 million acres in 2013, down 14 percent from last year. Expected area planted for all chickpeas is 214,300 acres, up 3 percent from last season. Small chickpea area, at 67,000 acres, is 4 percent lower than 2012. Lentils area planted for the 2013 crop year is expected to total 335,000 acres, down 28 percent from 2012. Dry edible peas growers intend to plant 850,000 acres, up 31 percent from 2012. Austrian winter peas area planted for the 2013 crop year is expected to total 19,000 acres, the same as last year. Acreage actually planted may vary from those indicated as a result of weather, economic conditions, availability of production inputs and the effect of this report itself.

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